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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendment in the accompanying patent application:

In the Specification:

Please insert the following header and paragraph on page 1, immediately following the title:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US00/06244, filed March 10, 2000, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/123,586, filed March 10, 1999. The provisional application is incorporated herein in its entirety.--

In the Claims:

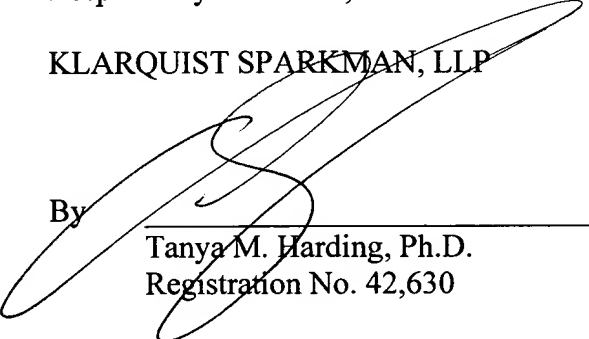
41. (Once amended) The assay of claim 1, wherein detection is automated.
43. (New) The assay of claim 10, wherein detection is automated.

By this amendment the specification has been changed to reflect prior related applications. The claims have been revised to remove a multiple dependency. No new matter is added by this amendment.

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